## Money Follows the Person (MFP) Rebalancing Demonstration Outreach to Institutional and Home and Community-Based Services Providers National Outreach Teleconference

Thursday, January 24, 2008 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. (EST) 1-888-793-1765 Passcode: Providers

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) cordially invites you to attend a national teleconference to hear about the core components and the current status of the Money Follows the Person (MFP) Rebalancing Demonstration. This teleconference is limited to the institutional providers and the home and community-based services providers serving, or intending to serve, MFP Demonstration recipients. If a MFP Demonstration program is operating or is planned for your State, this teleconference will provide you with important information about the program.

The CMS MFP team will present the hallmarks of the MFP Program, quality initiatives in the demonstration, evaluation of the demonstration and key rebalancing initiatives of the MFP grantees. After this 45 minute presentation, the teleconference will be open for your questions and comments. Please plan to join us for this important teleconference.

As you may know, the MFP Program is the largest demonstration ever offered by Medicaid. The MFP Program is providing States with \$1.75 billion in funding to promote community-based healthcare services as viable alternatives to institutional care and is designed to help States transition people from institutions back into the community, where they can preserve their independence, maintain ties to family and friends, and enjoy a better quality of life. The program has the following objectives:

- 1. **Rebalancing** Increase the use of home and community-based, rather than institutional, long-term care services.
- 2. **Money Follows the Person** Eliminate barriers or mechanisms, whether in the State law, the State Medicaid plan, the State budget, or otherwise, that prevent or restrict the flexible use of Medicaid funds to enable Medicaid-eligible individuals to receive support for appropriate and necessary long-term services in the settings of their choice.
- 3. **Continuity of Service** Increase the ability of the State Medicaid program to assure continued provision of home and community-based long-term care services to eligible individuals who choose to transition from an institutional to a community setting.
- 4. **Quality Assurance and Quality Improvement** Ensure that procedures are in place (at least comparable to those required under the qualified HCB program) to provide quality assurance for eligible individuals receiving Medicaid home and community-based long-term care services and to provide for continuous quality improvement in such services.

The demonstration provides for enhanced federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP) for 12 months for each person who meets a minimum duration of institutional living and is transitioned from the institution to the community during the demonstration period. Additionally, the State

must continue to provide community services after the 12-month period for as long as the person needs community services and is Medicaid eligible.

CMS has awarded \$1,435,709,479 in grants to 31 States. With these funds, States propose to transition 37,731 individuals out of institutional settings over the five-year demonstration period.

**List of States Awarded MFP Demonstration Grants** 

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State	Transitions	Elderly	MR/DD	PD	MI	Duals	5 Year Commitment
WI	1322	554	337	229	202		\$56,282,998
NY	2800	1190	140	1190	280		\$82,636,864
WA	660	348	80	172	60		\$19,626,869
CT	700	280	70	140	140	70	\$24,207,383
MI	2500	1500		1000			\$67,834,348
OK	2100	1575	225	300	0		\$41,805,358
AR	305	92	60	146	7		\$20,923,775
MD	3091	1617	250	1149	75		\$67,155,856
NE	900	400	200	300			\$27,538,984
NH	370	325		45			\$11,406,499
CA	2000	400	331	899	185	185	\$130,387,500
IN	1039	768	71	200			\$21,047,402
TX	2616	780	1216	420	160	40	\$142,700,353
SC	192	152		40			\$5,768,496
MO	250	50	125	50		25	\$17,692,006
IA	528		528				\$50,965,815
ОН	2231	1428	584	158	61		\$100,645,125
DE	100	32	20	28	20	0	\$5,372,007
DC	1110	215	150	645	100	0	\$26,377,620
GA	1,347	375	562	375	35	0	\$34,091,671
HI	415	115	58	242	0	0	\$10,263,736
IL	3,357	1,517	105	1,000	735	0	\$55,703,078
KS	934	242	286	406	0	0	\$36,787,453
KY	431	108	216	107	0	0	\$49,831,580
LA	760	364	320	76	0	0	\$30,963,664
NJ	590	174	329	87	0	0	\$30,300,000
NC	552	22	172	202	42	114	\$16,897,391
ND	110	46	30	34	0	0	\$8,945,209
OR	780	300	179	301	0	0	\$114,727,864
PA	2600	1400	420	600	180	0	\$98,196,439
VA	1041	325	358	358	0	0	\$28,626,136

Additional information can be found at: http://www.cms.hhs.gov/NewFreedomInitiative.

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